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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A communication control apparatus has a plurality of communication processing cards each of which processes data, and a control unit which controls the plurality of communication processing cards. The control unit includes a polling unit and an allowing unit. The polling unit polls the plurality of communication processing cards in a predetermined order. The allowing unit allows an operation of outputting data from one of the plurality of communication processing cards when the control unit receives a response from the communication processing card. Each of the plurality of communication processing units includes a responding unit and an outputting unit. The responding unit returns to the control unit a response to the polling by the polling unit when the communication processing unit has data to be output, and is polled by the polling unit. The outputting unit performs the operation of outputting data which is allowed by the allowing unit.